

HOME NEWS.

NEW-YORK CITY.

There will be music on the Mall in Central Park at 3 p.m. today by Cappa's 7th Regiment Band.

Company B, 7th Regiment, will celebrate its eighty-third anniversary, and at the same time do honor to its ex-captain, Henry & Steele, by a dinner at Delmonico's to-morrow night. General Fitzgerald, General Robbins, Colonel Clark and other officers of the regiment will be present.

An unusually attractive feature at the Eden Museum is the company of Hungarian dancing girls whose new feet, graceful posing and pretty costumes, combined with the music of the Hungarian orchestra, constitute an entertainment of rare brightness and popularity. A special programme of merit will be given this afternoon and evening. Several new groups have recently been added.

The Jefferson Social Club, composed of Democrats, has been incorporated. The directors are Thomas Farrel, Michael J. Ginn, James J. Dempsey, John H. White, William J. Kavanaugh, Samuel Bailey and Denis J. O'Brien.

Permission has been granted by Justice Ingraham, in the Supreme Court, to the Rutgers Presbyterian Church to borrow \$50,000, which William G. Alger is ready to advance, to be used in erecting its building at Seventy-third-st. and the Boulevard.

Among the delinquents from whom the Bureau of City Revenue has been lax in obtaining collections due the city are several of the street-railway companies. These back dues are said to amount to a large sum. The Commissioners of Accounts have their experts at work on the accounts, and a report is expected during the present week.

A public lecture, under the auspices of the Shakespeare Society of Columbia College, will be given by Professor J. D. Quackenbush, on "The Elizabethan Stage and the Rise of the Theatres," to-morrow after-

noon in Hamilton Hall, at Madison-ave. and Forty-ninth-st.

Mrs. Barbara Wertheim died early yesterday morning at No. 406 Sixth-st., from the effects of muriatic acid which she had taken on Friday evening. She said she took the poison by accident, and an investigation led Coroner Hanley to think that she told the truth.

After a winter of unusual activity, the New-York Academy of Anthropology will bring its season to a close with the next meeting, which will be held in the large meeting-room of the Cooper Union on Tuesday, May 7, at 3 o'clock. As usual, the meeting will be open to the public, and the papers will be by Dr. B. O. Kinney on "Hay Fever," and R. A. Wallace on "The Mounds and Prehistoric Remains of Bootz River Swamp, Louisiana."

That baseball culminates pluck in the player was exemplified yesterday in the City Hall Park where a number of small boys, less than ten years old, were playing an apology for the National game. A youngster of six years was catching behind the bat when a foul tip slipped from it and struck the boy in the eye. For a moment he acted as though he was looking at half a dozen Centennial demonstrations with all their starry banners, but he soon became rational, and remarked as he took his place behind the bat, "I kin see wid dis eye, anyway," which was lucky.

Deputy Collector Charles Davis has taken a leave of absence for fifteen days from the Custom House, and has gone on an excursion with the directors of the Tennessee Coal and Iron Company to inspect their property.

The diamond pendant lost by Mrs. Oliver S. Carter, of Orange, N. J., at the Hotel Bristol had not been recovered last evening, in spite of the \$250 reward offered for its return.

The U. S. Grant Club of the XVIIIth Assembly District has removed its headquarters from No. 496 Third-ave., to No. 215 East Thirty-fourth-st. The new house is a beautiful brownstone front edifice, between

Second and Third aven., and has accommodations for nearly 500.

The officers of the club are Bernard Bligh, president; Robert Todd, recording secretary; Michael W. Collins, financial secretary, and John T. Conway, treasurer.

The annual meeting of the Third Army Corps Union will be held at the Windsor Hotel at 4 p.m. to-morrow. A dinner will be served at 8 p.m.

The United States steamer Essex, which arrived from China a week ago, was towed to the Navy Yard yesterday. She will be put out of commission at once, the crew will be discharged, and the officers be put on waiting orders.

The Rev. Dr. Maynard will deliver an illustrated historical lecture on "Lower Egypt" to-morrow afternoon at Chipping Hill.

A magnified lemon-squeezer is now being introduced for mashing potatoes.

The latest thing in lambrequins is a network of gilded or silvered cord, with wide meshes and tasseled ends, intended to be hung over plush or velvet of plain colors.

Tandem bicycles are now becoming popular in this city. There is more sociability about them than ordinary bicycles, and they run more easily than tandem tricycles.

Now is the time for those who rejoice in bargaining for second-hand furniture, when people who store their household goods for the summer are selling off their superfluous pieces.

The beds of tulips, pansies, feverfew and the flowering almonds are at their best in Central Park now.

The outdoor tank for the hippopotami at the arsenal has been filled with water, ready for the first appearance of settled warm weather.

The Baptist Ministers' Conference will meet at the Tabernacle Baptist Church to-morrow at 11 a.m.

The officers and men of the 1st Regiment, North Carolina Guard, who were quartered at Florence Hall, have addressed a letter to Colonel S. V. R. Cruger, chairman of the Army Committee of the Centennial

celebration, expressing their satisfaction and gratification for the treatment they received from Ignatius Kanders, proprietor of the hall.

"The Army and Navy Journal" doubled its issue of May 4 to give full roster of the State troops in the Centennial procession, with critical comments on the bearing and appearance of each organization, made by expert military observers on the grand stand.

The Indian Commission yesterday awarded contracts to half a dozen firms for supplying the various Indian agencies with boots, shoes, hats and caps.

PROMINENT ARRIVALS AT THE HOTELS.
CLAREDON—John Newell of Chicago. FIFTH AVENUE—Ex-Governor George F. Stott of Pennsylvania and ex-Governor H. P. Baldwin of Michigan. GILSEY—Ex-Governor James D. Brady of Virginia. WINDSOR—William L. Putnam, of Maine.

CLUBS FOR WORKING WOMEN.

AN IMPORTANT MOVEMENT WHICH MISS GRACE H. DODGE AND OTHERS HAVE ORGANIZED.

In the upper room of a Tenth-aven. tenement-house five years ago eleven girls met one evening to organize a club for the purpose of recreation and study at night. They were working girls, employed in shops, factories or at home during the day. Another young woman who had called them together explained the purpose and the benefits of such a society, which should form other organizations and spread all over the city, for the general co-operation and interests of working-women who had not in their homes all the advantages which these clubs might give them. The room was a dismal, smoky place, whose rent was \$1.50 a week. As the society grew in numbers, the room was furnished by a tax of ten cents on each member. There was a barroom on the first floor of the building, and under the girls' society a club of German socialists passed the evenings. Afterward a pleasant lodger was obtained.

On April 14 the Association of Working Girls

held its fifth annual meeting in the large hall of Cooper Union. The hall was filled, the audience being all women, and numbering nearly 3,000. Eleven clubs were represented from different parts of the city, and there were visitors from similar clubs in Philadelphia, Brooklyn, Hoboken, New-Haven, Springfield and other cities. The account of this meeting which appeared in the daily papers the next morning was the first printed report of the work which had been given of the association. Their work has been going on steadily all the time, and during last winter their concert was attended by 2,000 people, and on New Year's Eve the members had a "frolic," in which nearly 1,000 girls participated. The purpose of the association has been to make their work of a family character, giving it little general publicity.

At the meeting that night Miss Grace H. Dodge, one of the commissioners of the Board of Education, presided. Miss Dodge met with the first club which was organized in the Tenth-aven. tenement-house in 1884. She is the first director of the association, and her associates are Miss Clara S. Potter, Mrs. Gaspar Griswold, Mrs. Archibald Alexander, Miss R. T. Moreau, and the secretaries, Mrs. Richard Irving, Jr., and Miss Virginia Potter. They are elected by the several societies of the city, but they bear no other distinction among the members.

The societies are almost wholly self-supporting, receiving a little outside aid as any of the more pretentious clubs of men or women in the city. They are not charitable organizations or a religious work. Catholics, Hebrews and Protestants are among the members. Each club has its own room open every evening for the members. They have music, singing, games, libraries and periodicals, teachers and lecturers, and all means of recreation and study. The main purpose is the interest and co-operation of the members. Good teachers and women physicians are secured for them. They learn the practical duties of home life which are so often forgotten in the crowded quarters of large cities and the graces and refinements which come from pleasant association. Millinery

clubs give ideas for summer and winter hats and bonnets, to be made by the members at small cost from available material. Dressmaking classes teach them to cut and fit their clothes; and cooking classes to prepare their food in the simplest and most attractive ways. One night in the club is given to "practical talks" on such subjects as "Men Friend," "Accounts," "Books," "Home Life," etc.

Last summer the societies united in securing a country house on Long Island for the members to pass their vacations. Two of the presidents of the clubs were always in attendance. The house accommodated forty at a time, and all, including the directors, each of whom passed some time there, took part in a portion of the time in keeping the house in repair, which includes the kitchen, library and Endeavor Club of Elizabethport, N. J., the Endeavor Society, Prospect Hill Club, the New-England Club of Trenton, Thursday Evening Club of Springfield, Mass., Enterprise and Perseverance Club of New Haven, and Helping Hand Club of Blightontown, N. Y.

BIG COTTON RECEIPTS AT MEMPHIS.

Memphis, May 4.—The receipts of cotton at Memphis since September 1 aggregate 700,201 bales. This exceeds, by 36,923 bales, the entire receipts for any previous year. The crossing of the 700,000 line was the occasion of a big jollification by members of the Exchange this afternoon. The blackboards were elaborately decked with blue ribbons and champagne flowed as free as water. Memphis is not only the largest interior cotton-receiving city in the world, but is the second largest receiver of sp. cottons, being only exceeded by New Orleans. The receipts for the year ending August 31 will approximate 720,000 bales.

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